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GLEN TAYLOR

On March 23, 1995, Glen Taylor closed the deal that made him majority owner of the Minnesota Timberwolves. He added the title of NBA owner to a list that already included international businessman, state senator, entrepreneur, philanthropist and Executive of the Year.

Taylor is chairman of Mankato, Minn. based Taylor Corporation, a multinational conglomerate of marketing, communications and interactive solutions companies. As he earned his degree from Minnesota State University, Mankato, he worked part time at Carlson Wedding Service, a print shop specializing in formal invitations. Following graduation he continued his career at the company, developing strategies to cut delivery time, improve service and expand offerings. Since purchasing the company in 1975, Taylor has grown the organization into one of the largest privately held companies in the United States, with more than 40 companies across the globe and over 9,000 employees. Under his vision and leadership, Taylor has emerged as one of the top three graphics communications companies in North America, providing services to more than half of the Fortune 500 companies and millions of small businesses and consumers around the world.

Taylor expanded his breadth of businesses in July of 2014 as he purchased the Minnesota Star Tribune newspaper, Minnesota's largest news organization, so that once again it would be owned outright by a Minnesotan. Taylor is also an investor in Envoy Medical, an implantable hearing therapy company. As an avid sports fan, Taylor continues to spread his involvement locally and has ownership in Minnesota's Major League Soccer team, Minnesota United.

Taylor attended Harvard Graduate School of Business and earned his Bachelor of Science degree at Minnesota State University, Mankato. He is one of a few people to receive a Minnesota State University honorary doctorate degree.

Taylor's business savvy has been recognized by Corporate Report magazine, which honored him as its Executive of the Year (1987), and the Sales and Marketing Executives of Minneapolis/St. Paul, who awarded him with their Sales Executive of the Year Award (1999). He was also inducted into the Minnesota Hall of Fame (2002) by Twin Cities Monthly Magazine.

Taylor was elected to the Minnesota Senate in 1980, where he served until 1990. He became Assistant Senate Minority Leader in 1982. From 1984 to 1986, he served as Senate Minority Leader. While in the Senate, Mr. Taylor was instrumental in providing leadership in the areas of higher education, childcare and economic development policies.

In October of 2008, Taylor was named Chairman of the NBA's Board of Governors. He served as Chairman until late 2017.

Taylor and his wife, Becky, live in Mankato, Minn. Their children and grandchildren enjoy attending many of the Timberwolves and Lynx games.

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ETHAN CASSON

CHIEF EXECUTIVE OFFICER

Ethan Casson is an esteemed sports executive known for his visionary leadership and transformative impact. Casson has served as Chief Executive Officer of the Minnesota Timberwolves, the Minnesota Lynx, and the Iowa Wolves for eight years, and also serves on the NBA Board of Governors as the Timberwolves Alternate Governor. Casson has led the organization in receiving significant recognition at the industry level and expanding the organization's global popularity..

Under his stewardship, the Timberwolves have achieved record growth in key NBA business metrics, including season tickets, attendance, corporate partnerships, television viewership, merchandise, and social media engagement. Notably, the team was honored as a finalist for the 2024 Sports Team of the Year by the Sports Business Journal, a testament to Casson's commitment to excellence, innovation, and creativity.

Beyond business success, Casson's tenure has been marked by impactful social initiatives. His strategic partnerships with organizations such as the National Basketball Social Justice Coalition and the Restore the Vote Coalition have led to significant legislative victories, including the restoration of voting rights to 50,000 Minnesotans who were previously incarcerated or on parole. Such efforts earned the organization the prestigious 2023-24 NBA Inclusion Leadership Award.

Casson's dedication to community and civic engagement extends deep into the heart of Minneapolis. In response to the city's social justice movement in 2020, he spearheaded the creation of the organization's first Diversity, Equity, and Inclusion department and forged partnerships with impactful local organizations to help heal and rebuild the community. In recognition of his work, Casson was named among Sports Business Journal's "ALL IN: Leaders in Diversity, Equity and Inclusion," for 2023 and its "People Who Influenced Sports Business in 2020" list.

A trailblazer in venue development, Casson oversaw the successful $150 million renovation of Target Center, reinvigorating its impact on downtown Minneapolis. This achievement garnered nominations for the Sports Business Journal's 2018 Facility of the Year and as Minnesota's Finance & Commerce Top Project of 2017.

Casson's influence extends beyond basketball, having left an indelible mark on the NFL landscape during his tenure as the San Francisco 49ers' Chief Operating Officer. Notably, he secured a groundbreaking 20-year, $220 million naming rights partnership with Levi Strauss & Co, one of the largest naming rights deals in NFL history. Casson helped procure some of the most prominent events in sports and entertainment, including Super Bowl 50. Levi's Stadium generated international acclaim for its green efforts, becoming the first NFL stadium to be twice LEED Gold certified. The success of the project resulted in several industry awards including the Sports Business Journal's 2015 Facility of the Year and the 2016 Green Sports Alliance Environmental Innovators of the Year.

An accomplished executive throughout his career, Casson's accolades include being named to Minnesota Magazine's Minnesota 500, Twin Cities Business Notable Leaders in Arts, Entertainment, & Sports, and Minneapolis/St. Paul Business Journal's Most Admired CEO. He was also honored as a member of the Sports Business Journal's Forty Under 40 class of 2014.

Casson holds a Bachelor of Science in Sports Management from Colby-Sawyer College and was inducted into the New England Basketball Hall of Fame in 2013 and the Colby-Sawyer College Athletic Hall of Fame in 2015.

He remains deeply involved in community initiatives, serving on multiple boards and advisory committees dedicated to youth development and social progress. Casson and his wife, Lisa, reside in Minneapolis with their son, Lucas.

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TIM CONNELLY
President of Basketball Operations

Tim Connelly enters his third season as the Minnesota Timberwolves President of Basketball Operations after being hired on May 23, 2022. Connelly has complete oversight of all basketball operations decisions and staff.

Connelly immediately started crafting the Timberwolves roster and front office staff during his first offseason in the summer of 2022, highlighted by the blockbuster trade for Minnesota to land three-time Kia NBA Defensive Player of the Year (2018, 2019, 2021), center Rudy Gobert. Since his arrival, Connelly also brought in veteran pieces during free agency and the trade deadline including Kyle Anderson, Mike Conley and Joe Ingles. He additionally has secured the future of multiple young players with contract extensions of All-Star Anthony Edwards, Jaden McDaniels, Naz Reid and Nickeil Alexander-Walker along with recent draft selections of Rob Dillingham and Terrence Shannon Jr.

Since becoming President of Basketball Operations with the Timberwolves, Minnesota has amassed 98 wins, the most wins over a two-year stretch in team history since the team won 102 games from 2003-2005. In the 2023-24 season, the Wolves made it to the to the Western Conference Finals for the second just the second time in team history (2004). Minnesota won nine playoff games, the second-most playoff wins in a single postseason in franchise history. The Wolves swept the Phoenix Suns in the First Round of the 2024 Playoffs, marking the first time in franchise history completing a four-game sweep and the first time winning a playoff series since 2004. It is the first four-game sweep in Minneapolis sport's history.

Prior to joining the Timberwolves, Connelly spent nine seasons with the Denver Nuggets, including five as President of Basketball Operations. He previously served as General Manager and Executive Vice President of Basketball Operations after being hired to that role in July 2013. During his tenure in Denver, Connelly spearheaded finding talent throughout the draft, highlighted by the selection of the 2020-21 and 2021-22 NBA MVP and three-time All-Star Nikola Jokic with the 41st pick of the second round in 2014.

Connelly helped orchestrate the Nuggets ascension toward the top of the Western Conference, during his tenure, Denver captured two Northwest Division titles (2018-19, 2019-20), marking the first time since 2008-09 and 2009-10 that the franchise repeated as division champions and just the fifth time in division history there was a repeat winner.

Connelly spent three seasons with the New Orleans Pelicans as their assistant general manager before joining Denver. Prior to his time with New Orleans, Connelly spent 10 years with the Washington Wizards organization where he rose to director of player personnel. In Washington, his role included overseeing scouting, salary cap and database management, player evaluation responsibilities, as well as assisting the vice president of player personnel with all front office duties.

The Baltimore product began working for the Wizards as an intern in the basketball operations department in 1996, and after his graduation from DC's Catholic University in 1999, Connelly was named to the Wizards staff as assistant video coordinator. In 2000, Connelly became a full-time scout for Washington, and later assumed the head scouting role.

Connelly's service to the game of basketball has spanned the globe. In 2018, Connelly traveled to Tel Aviv, Israel and served as a coach as part of the NBA's "Basketball Without Borders" program. He also worked in Moscow, Russia in 2012 for the program and his first experience with "BWB" came in the summer of 2006 in South Africa. That same summer he was involved with the Seed Academy in Dakar, Senegal. He has served on the board of GEN Basketball Academy, a Sarajevo-based academy funded by NATO, and has assisted with their youth camps. Additionally, in the summer of 2007, Connelly visited Dublin, Ireland to help raise youth awareness of cultural diversity and integration through the sport of basketball, and to work with the Irish federation on future basketball-related initiatives. Connelly has also visited England with his brother Pat as part of their personal efforts to aid the globalization of basketball.

Connelly is one of seven children, four brothers and two sisters. Each of Connelly's four brothers -- Joe, Pat, Dan and Kevin -- played basketball at Towson Catholic.

Connelly and his wife Negah have been committed to being involved in the communities they live in, including an annual Mile-High Ping Pong Challenge which benefited local Denver community organizations.

MATT LLOYD
General Manager

Matt Lloyd enters his third season with the Timberwolves, first as General Manager after spending the last two seasons as the team's Senior Vice President of Basketball Operations. Lloyd joined the Timberwolves with more than 25 years of NBA experience.

Prior to joining Minnesota, he spent 10 seasons with the Orlando Magic including two as vice president of basketball operations. He also served as assistant general manager for the Magic after being hired on June 29, 2012.

Lloyd was responsible for overseeing the Magic's professional, college and international scouting departments, as well as assisting with roster management and development. He also served as interim general manager during the 2017 offseason.

Lloyd spent 13 seasons with the Chicago Bulls, his last five as the team's director of college scouting. As director of college scouting for Chicago, he oversaw the scouting and information compilation of prospects for the NBA Draft, along with statistical analysis of pro and amateur players. Lloyd implemented and maintained a database which organized scouting information.

Lloyd began with the Bulls in 1994 as a game-day and special projects employee in the video room. He joined the team full-time in 1999 and was the team's media services coordinator for four seasons. Lloyd then joined the basketball operations department in 2003, and served as senior manager of basketball operations/scout for four seasons.

In addition, Lloyd also worked as a game-day employee with the Chicago White Sox in their video department for five years.

Prior to joining the Bulls full-time, Lloyd spent one year (1998-99) as the assistant director of information services for Conference USA, and a year-and-a-half (1997-98) as director of media services for the Arena Football League. He also completed an internship at ESPN during his senior year of college.

Lloyd is married to his wife, Cortney.

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DELL DEMPS
Vice President of Basketball Operations

Dell Demps enters third season as Vice President of Basketball Operations for the Minnesota Timberwolves. Prior to joining the Timberwolves, he spent two seasons as an assistant coach with the Utah Jazz.

Demps has had an extensive career in the NBA both as a player and as a front office executive, having spent nine seasons with the New Orleans Pelicans as Senior Vice President of Basketball Operations and General Manager.

Prior to that, Demps was with the San Antonio Spurs for five seasons, including three years as the General Manager of the Spurs' NBA G League affiliate, the Austin Toros. He joined the Spurs at the start of the 2005-06 season as Director of Pro Player Personnel and was promoted to Vice President of Basketball Operations in 2010. With the Spurs, Demps won an NBA Championship (2007). In each of the five seasons that he was with San Antonio, the team won at least 50 games. Prior to joining the Spurs, Demps worked for the New York Knicks from 2003-05 as a scout and was later promoted to the Director of Pro Player Personnel. Demps also spent two seasons as an assistant coach with the Mobile Revelers in the NBA Development League from 2001-03, helping the Revelers capture the 2003 league championship.

Demps attended the University of the Pacific where he was a four-year starter on their basketball team, earning All-Conference honors three times. As a senior, he averaged 19.0 points and 5.8 rebounds and earned his bachelor's degree in business administration. While playing professionally, each summer he returned to Pacific and completed his Master's in Business Administration in 1998.

Demps is a Pacific Athletics Hall of Fame member who had his #5 jersey retired in 2019 and was selected to WCC Hall of Honor in 2020.

As a player, Demps had a ten-year professional basketball career that spanned the globe. He played for three seasons in the NBA with Golden State Warriors, San Antonio Spurs and the Orlando Magic. In addition, he played professionally in the Continental Basketball Association (CBA), Philippines, France, Greece, Turkey, Croatia and Venezuela.

STEVE SENIOR
Assistant General Manager

Steve Senior enters his third season as Assistant General Manager for the Minnesota Timberwolves.

Senior spent the last four seasons with the Memphis Grizzlies, where he initially joined as the Director of Video Operations and Player Development Assistant (2018-19) under former Timberwolves Assistant Coach J.B. Bickerstaff. He then transitioned to a role as the Grizzlies Pro Personnel Scout for three seasons.

Prior to joining Memphis, Senior served as the New York Knicks Assistant Video Coordinator starting in 2012. During his time with the Knicks, he added player development to his title, where he went on to spend six seasons as the team's Player Development and Assistant Video Coordinator. Senior's responsibilities had an emphasis on developing on-court skill and creating player performance reports to monitor progress. Senior acted as Wolves Assistant Coach Pablo Prigioni's player development coach during Prigioni's time as a guard for the Knicks.

Senior received his start in the NBA when he served as Assistant Video Coordinator for the Houston Rockets in 2011, where he experienced working with Timberwolves Head Coach Chris Finch and Gupta.

Senior, a native of the Bronx, NY, raised in New Jersey, graduated from Kean University with a degree in Business Management.

EMMANUEL ROHAN
Assistant General Manager

Emmanuel Rohan completed his 14th season with the Timberwolves and fourth as Assistant General Manager. Prior to his promotion, Rohan was Director of Basketball Administration since 2016 where he handled matters relating to the salary cap and team administration.

Rohan began his Timberwolves career as a basketball operations intern in 2010 and was a basketball operations assistant for two seasons (2011-13). He was promoted to manager of basketball administration prior to the 2013-14 season.

Prior to joining the Timberwolves, Rohan was a legal assistant at the Australian Government Solicitor for two years and was a teaching/graduate assistant at the department of Sport Management at UMass Amherst in 2009-10.

The Brisbane, Australia native graduated with a Bachelor of Laws/Commerce degree from the TC Beirne School of Law – University of Queensland and received a Master's in Sport Management degree from UMass Amherst.

JON WALLACE
Director of Player Personnel/Iowa Wolves General Manager

Jon Wallace enters his third season as Director of Player Personnel and Iowa Wolves General Manager.

Wallace joins the Timberwolves after spending three seasons with the Denver Nuggets, most recently as Scouting Coordinator. He was originally hired as a Basketball Operations Associate in 2019 by the Nuggets. Before his front office NBA experience, Wallace completed a professional playing career that took him from the then NBA Developmental League to Germany and Belgium. He played for the Rio Grande Valley Vipers in 2008 where he won a championship.

Prior to his time in the NBA, Wallace was hired in 2016 as Special Assistant to the Head Coach/Head Manager at his alma mater, Georgetown. He spent three seasons on Patrick Ewing's coaching staff for the Hoyas. As a player, Wallace, an All-BIG EAST guard, started every game of his career (136) for Georgetown and was part of four teams that went to the postseason, including three-straight NCAA Tournament appearances. He helped lead the Hoyas to back-to-back BIG EAST Regular Season titles (2006-07, 2007-08) and a BIG EAST Tournament Championship (2006-07).

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CHRIS FINCH

HEAD COACH

Chris Finch was named Head Coach of the Minnesota Timberwolves on February 22, 2021, becoming the team's 16th Head Coach. On April 11, 2022, the Timberwolves announced a multi-year contract extension for Finch along with his coaching staff.

His 181 total wins over the last five seasons ranks second in team history and his .554 winning percentage passes Flip Saunders' franchise-best mark (.521). After the Timberwolves' 99-96 win over the Golden State Warriors on Mar. 26, 2023, Finch recorded his 100th career win, joining Saunders as the only two coaches in Wolves history with 100 or more victories.

Finch led the Timberwolves to one of the most historic seasons in team history during the 2023-24 season with the Wolves ending the season with a 56-26 record, the second-highest win total in franchise history. Minnesota secured the third seed in the Western Conference, marking the third consecutive year clinching a spot in the NBA Playoffs, the most consecutive seasons making the playoffs since eight straight appearances from 1996-2004. Minnesota won an NBA-best 37 games against Western Conference opponents, the most wins against the West in Timberwolves history. The Wolves led the Western Conference last season with 26 road victories, the second-most road wins in franchise history (27 in 2003-04). Minnesota finished the season 12-4 against Northwest Division opponents, tied for the most wins in team history against division foes (12 in 2021-22).

During the 2024 NBA Playoffs, Finch led the Wolves to the Western Conference Finals for the second just the second time in team history (2004). Minnesota won nine playoff games, the second-most playoff wins in a single postseason in franchise history. The Wolves swept the Phoenix Suns in the First Round of the 2024 Playoffs, marking the first time in franchise history completing a four-game sweep and the first time winning a playoff series since 2004. It is the first four-game sweep in Minneapolis sport's history. The Timberwolves opened the 2024 NBA Playoffs with six consecutive wins, the longest playoff winning streak in team history and tied the 2004 San Antonio Spurs and the 2020 Boston Celtics for the most consecutive wins to start a playoff run for a three-seed.

Following the Wolves' Feb. 4, 2024 win vs. Houston, Finch was selected to represent the Western Conference at the 2024 NBA All-Star Game in Indianapolis, given to the team with the best record through Feb. 4 (including tiebreaker scenarios). This marked the first time in Finch's career being named an All-Star Head Coach and the second time in Timberwolves history a head coach has been named to the All-Star Game (Flip Saunders in 2004).

On Dec. 4, 2024, the NBA named Finch Western Conference Coach of the Month for October and November after guiding the Wolves to a 14-4 record to begin the 2023-24 season. It was the first monthly honor of his coaching career, he became the third Timberwolves head coach to win the award, joining Kevin McHale (January 2009) and Flip Saunders (April 2004, February 2003, January 2001 and January 2000).

Finch took the helm mid-season in the 2020-2021 season, leading the Timberwolves to win half of their last 22 games, finishing 16-25 overall.

Since arriving in Minnesota, Finch has jumped into helping the Twin Cities community. He currently serves on the Board of Directors of Second Harvest Heartland where he assists the organization, playing a critical role in helping Second Harvest Heartland to fulfill its mission of ending hunger.

Finch, 54, has over 25 years of NBA and G League experience, serving most recently as an assistant coach under Nick Nurse and the Toronto Raptors last season. Prior to that, he made coaching stops with the New Orleans Pelicans as associate head coach from 2017-20, the Denver Nuggets as an assistant coach from 2016-17 and the Houston Rockets as an assistant coach from 2011-16. Finch was named the head coach of the Rio Grande Valley Vipers, the Rocket's G League affiliate in 2009. He led the Vipers to back-to-back G League Finals appearances, compiling a 67-33 (.670) record in his two seasons.

After leading Rio Grande Valley to the 2010 G League Championship, Finch received the Dennis Johnson Trophy as the league's best head coach.

The Reading, Pennsylvania native played overseas in the British Basketball League (BBL) for the Sheffield Sharks from 1993-97 before coaching the same team from 1997-2003. Finch was named the BBL Coach of the Year in 1998-99. He continued to coach overseas for 12 years including in Germany and Belgium.

Finch also served as the head coach of Great Britain's National Team from 2006-13, where he led the national team in the 2012 Summer Olympics in London. He also led them to a European Championship berth in 2009 and 2011, the team's first appearances since 1981.

A Franklin & Marshall College graduate in 1992, Finch was as a two-time All-American, and was inducted into the F&M Sports Hall of Fame in 2002. He started the final 115 games of his collegiate career and compiled a 102-13 record (.887), which stood as the most career wins as a starter in NCAA Division III history.

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MICAH NORI
Assistant Coach

Micah Nori enters his fourth season as Assistant Coach with the Timberwolves.

Nori joined Minnesota after spending three seasons as an assistant coach with the Detroit Pistons. Prior to his time in Detroit, he spent three seasons with the Denver Nuggets. A 23-year veteran of the NBA, Nori also spent two seasons as an assistant coach with the Sacramento Kings. He entered the NBA in 1998, spending 15 seasons with the Toronto Raptors organization including four years as an assistant coach. Before being named assistant coach, Nori held roles of director of NBA scouting, an advance scout and an assistant to the coaching staff with the Raptors.

The Middleton, Ohio native was a four-year starter and captain of Indiana's 1996 Big Ten Championship baseball team. He also holds a master's degree in Sports Organization from Miami (OH) University.

PABLO PRIGIONI
Assistant Coach

Pablo Prigioni finished his fifth season as Assistant Coach with the Timberwolves after been hired on June 25, 2019. Prigioni became head coach of Argentina's National Team on Sept. 1, 2022, where he led the team to a Gold Medal at the 2022 FIBA AmeriCup.

He was head coach of the Timberwolves team during the 2019 NBA Summer League in Las Vegas, leading Minnesota to the championship game.

Prior to joining the Wolves, Prigioni spent the 2018-19 season with the Brooklyn Nets as an assistant coach. He joined the Nets following the conclusion of a more than 20-year playing career. The Argentina native spent the majority of his career in Spain, where he led Baskonia to three Spanish King's Cup titles, four Spanish Supercup titles and a Spanish League championship. He was a two-time All-EuroLeague selection.

In 2012, Prigioni became the NBA's oldest rookie, when at age 35, he embarked on a four-year NBA stint which included stops with the New York Knicks, Houston Rockets and Los Angeles Clippers. He averaged 3.5 points and 2.8 assists in 270 career NBA games.

As a member of the Argentinian national team, Prigioni won a bronze medal in the 2008 Olympic Games in Beijing and finished fourth in the 2012 Olympic Games in London.

Prigioni and his wife, Raquel, have two children: daughter, Alessandra and son, Nicolas.

ELSTON TURNER
Assistant Coach

Elston Turner enters his fourth season as Assistant Coach with the Timberwolves.

Turner came-to Minnesota with more than two decades of NBA coaching experience, including his last two seasons as an assistant coach with the Houston Rockets as well as a prior four-year stint with the organization from 2007-11. Turner's coaching career includes stops in Sacramento, Memphis and Portland.

The Tennessee native was selected 43rd overall in the 1981 NBA Draft and appeared in over 500 games across eight seasons. Turner played professionally for Dallas, Denver and Chicago throughout his NBA career.

Turner hails from the University of Mississippi, where he led Ole Miss to its first ever NCAA Tournament in his senior year.

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KEVIN HANSON
Assistant Coach

Kevin Hanson enters his sixth season as Assistant Coach with the Timberwolves. Prior to joining the Wolves, Hanson spent eight seasons with the New Orleans Pelicans, the last five as assistant coach, where he was instrumental in the development of Anthony Davis.

Hanson joined the Pelicans in 2012 as the team's player development coach before being elevated to assistant coach. In 2018, he served as New Orleans' summer league head coach. He joined the San Antonio Spurs in the summer of 2008 as an assistant video coordinator and was named the Spurs' player development assistant in the summer of 2010. Hanson played four seasons at the University of San Diego and after college spent five seasons playing professionally overseas in Argentina and Germany.

Born and raised in Huntington Beach, Calif., Hanson led Ocean View High School to a CIF Championship. He played four seasons at University of San Diego, earning a bachelor's degree in communications and a minor in sociology. After college, Hanson spent five seasons playing professionally overseas in Argentina and Germany.

CORLISS WILLIAMSON
Assistant Coach

Corliss Williamson enters his first season as Assistant Coach with the Timberwolves.

Williamson joins the Wolves after previous coaching stops with the Sacramento Kings (2013-16), Orlando Magic (2016-18) and Phoenix Suns (2018-19).

Prior to his coaching career, Williamson enjoyed a 12-year NBA playing career from 1995-2007 that featured stops with Detroit, Philadelphia and Sacramento, highlighted by being a member of the 2004 Pistons Championship team. Regarded as one of the best role players during his career, "Big Nasty" was named 2001-02 NBA Sixth Man of the Year. In 822 career games (293 starts), he averaged 11.2 points on 49.0% shooting and 3.9 rebounds. From 1995-96 through 2006-07, no player in the NBA totaled more bench points (5,192) than Williamson.

Prior to coaching in the NBA, the Russellville, Ark. native served as an assistant coach for Arkansas Baptist College from 2007-2009 before being named the school's head coach in 2009. Williamson also served as the head coach at the University of Central Arkansas from 2010-2013.

JEFF NEWTON
Assistant Coach

Jeff Newton enters his sixth season with the organization and first as an Assistant Coach. Newton served as Quality Control Coach last season and previously as Player Development/Offensive Associate with the Timberwolves.

Newton was the Head Coach of the Iowa Wolves, the Timberwolves G League affiliate for two seasons.

Prior to his time with the Timberwolves organization, he was with the Houston Rockets for three seasons, spending one year each as a personnel scout, assistant video coordinator and basketball operations intern.

Newton got his start in the NBA as a basketball operations intern with the then Charlotte Bobcats. A native of Barrington, Rhode Island, Newton graduated from the University of Massachusetts, Amherst with a degree in Sports Management.

MAX LEFEVRE
Assistant Coach

Max Lefevre enters his sixth season with the Timberwolves, first as an assistant coach after being promoted on Aug. 8, 2024.

Lefevre has been with the Timberwolves since the 2019-20 season, holding positions of Video Coordinator/Player Development Associate and Player Development Coach.

Prior to his time with the Timberwolves, Lefevre spent four seasons at Texas Tech as the Director of Player Development, helping the Red Raiders to the 2019 NCAA National Championship game and the Big 12 Conference regular-season championship.

He also worked as Director of Basketball Operations at the University of Arkansas Little Rock in 2015-16 and as a graduate assistant at Angelo State from 2013-15. Born in France, Lefevre played college basketball at Avila University also located in Kansas City. He earned his Bachelor of Science in International Business from Avila in 2012 before earning his Master of Education in Sports Administration from Angelo State in 2015.

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DR. SHELDON BURNS, M.D.
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Dr. Sheldon Burns enters his 34th season as the Timberwolves' medical director, and his 15th as Vice President, Team Medical Services. A physician at Edina Family Physicians, Allina, Dr. Burns has been a Board Certified Specialist in Family Practice, Emergency Medicine and Sports Medicine. His duties with the Timberwolves include serving as team physician, coordinating medical care and assisting in other club medical matters. Burns is one of two team members that have been with the team since the inaugural season.

For his work with numerous NBA teams, Dr. Burns was named the National Basketball Trainers Association 2005 NBA Physician of the Year. Burns was most recently awarded the 2019 Jerry "Hawk" Rhea Award for Outstanding NFL Team Physician. He has served in various capacities in seven Olympic Games. He has headed up the medical staff of the United States Team in World University Games and been a Deputy Medical Commissioner in three Olympic Games. He has enjoyed having the special opportunity with USA Basketball to serve as the team physician for many WNBA/NBA players/coaches in World/ Olympic tournaments. Additionally, he has served as tournament physician for the Minnesota State High School League.

Dr. Burns is active in teaching sports medicine at Allina, Institute For Athletic Medicine, Tria, Twin City Orthopedics, and the University of Minnesota. He has lectured in four continents. In 2014 he was recognized as the Minnesota Family Physician of the Year and marked the 100th consecutive year his grandfather, aunt, and he have been family physicians to Minnesotans.

A native of Grand Meadow, Minn., he spends summers in Nisswa, Minn. Dr. Burns received his undergraduate degree from Hamline University and earned his medical degree in 1974 from the University of Minnesota Medical School. Dr. Burns and Sharon reside in Edina, and together they have four daughters, a son, nine grandchildren and one great grandchild. They enjoy traveling to see their grandchildren, greatgrandchild and friends around the world.

ERIN SIERER
Head Athletic Trainer

Erin Sierer was named Head Athletic Trainer on Aug. 8, 2024, becoming the first woman in franchise history to be named to the position of Head Athletic Trainer. Sierer enters her sixth season with the Timberwolves after spending the last five as the team's Assistant Athletic Trainer.

Prior to joining the Timberwolves, she was Lead Physical Therapist/Assistant Athletic Trainer for the San Diego Fleet of the Alliance of American Football.

Sierer was a Tactical Physical Therapist/Athletic Trainer for US Army Special Operations Command from 2018-2019, as well as the US Marine Corps Special Operations command from 2013 to 2016, providing direct access care for acute, chronic and post-operative cases for active-duty service members. From 2016-18, Sierer was the Physical Therapist/Assistant Athletic Trainer for all Olympic Sports at Rutgers University. She has also worked with the general population in several Outpatient Orthopedic Clinics in North Carolina and Florida. Sierer is a member of the National Athletic Trainers Association.

A native of Milford, Conn., Sierer received her Bachelor of Science degree in Athletic Training from Hofstra University, working with the Men's Basketball, Baseball and Women's Field Hockey teams. She went on to earn her Doctorate of Physical Therapy degree from Duke University School of Medicine in 2007. Sierer and her husband, Patrick, reside in Minneapolis.

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Gillett has a M.S. in Human Movement from A.T. Still University and completed his bachelor's degree at DePauw University majoring in Health and Human Performance with an emphasis in Exercise Science.

Prior to joining the Tigers, he gained experience in the field working with the Orlando Magic during the 2002-03 NBA season, Indiana University (2001), and The Pennsylvania State University (2000). He also lettered four seasons with DePauw University's baseball team and was given All-Conference honors two of those four years as well as All-American Honorable Mention his final season.

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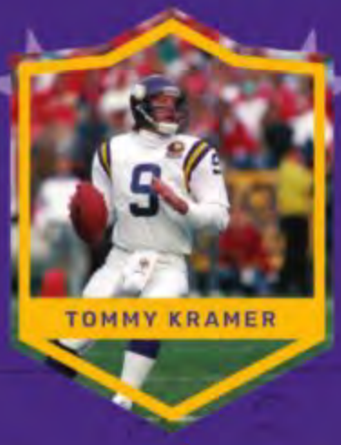
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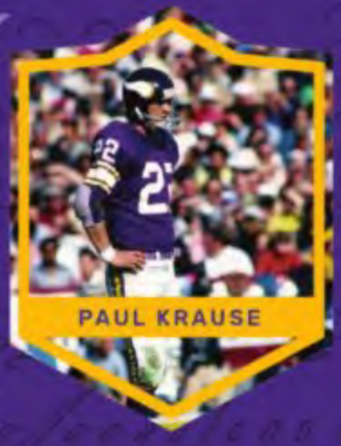
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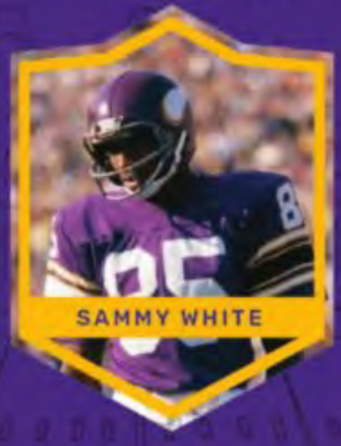
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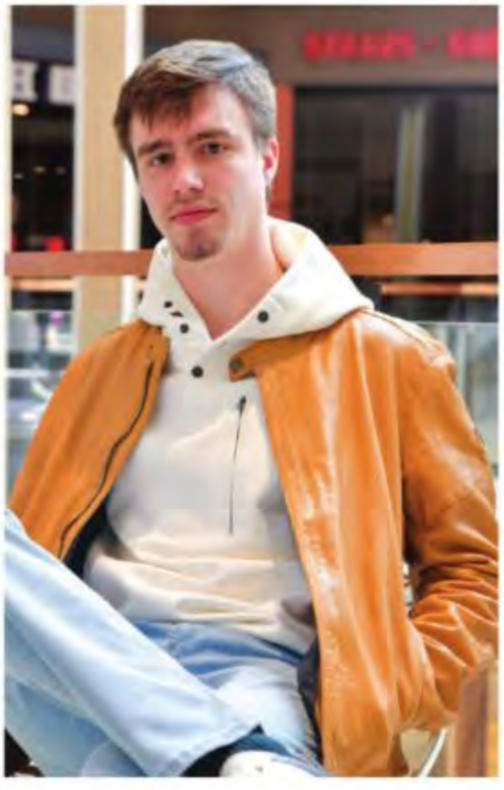

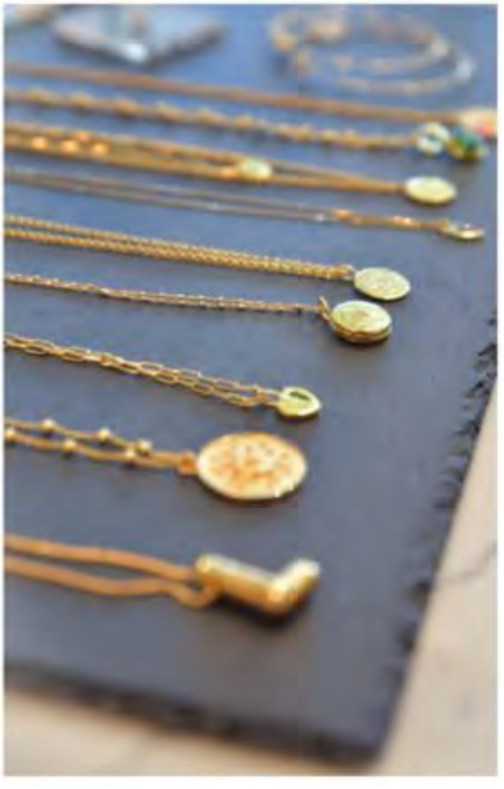

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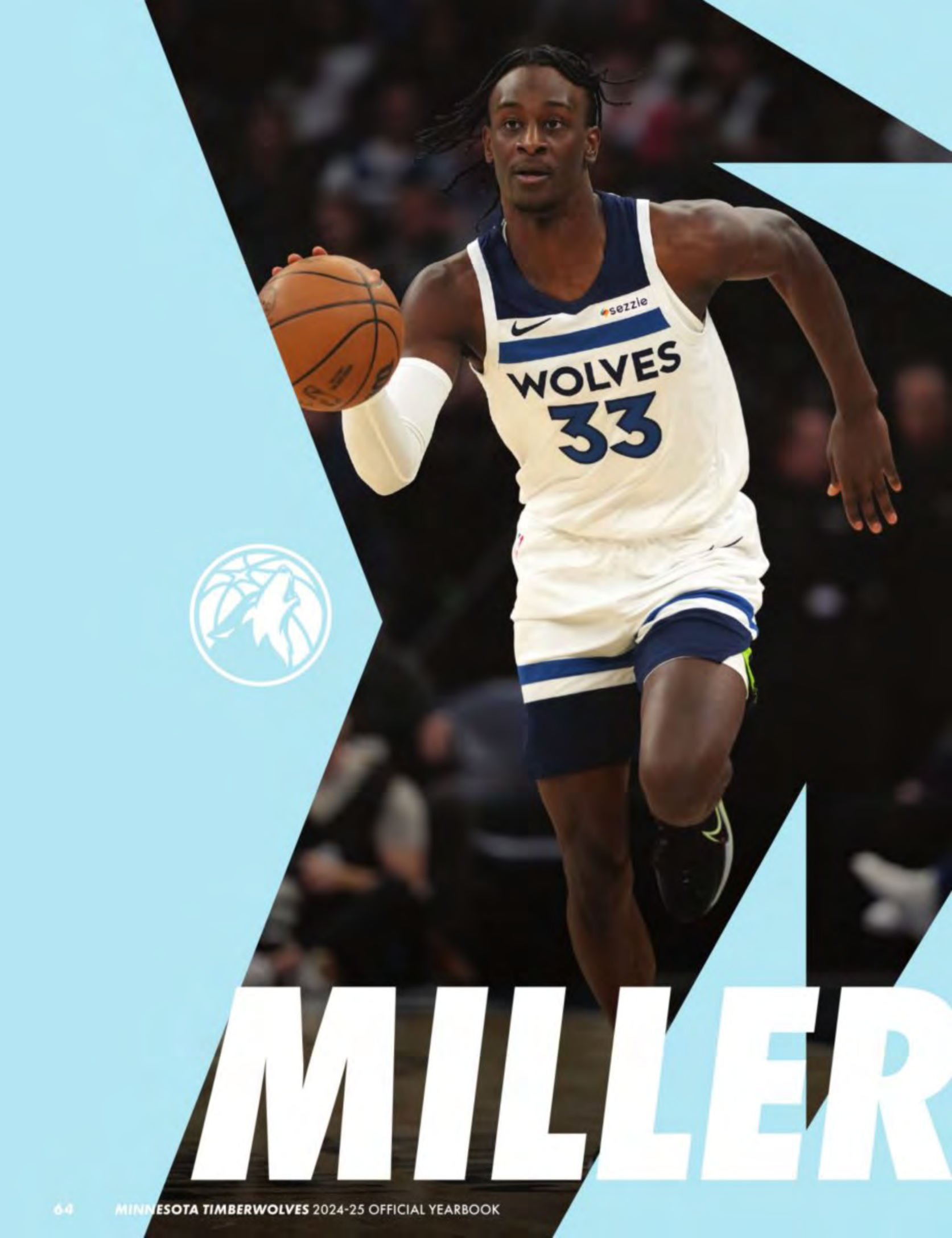

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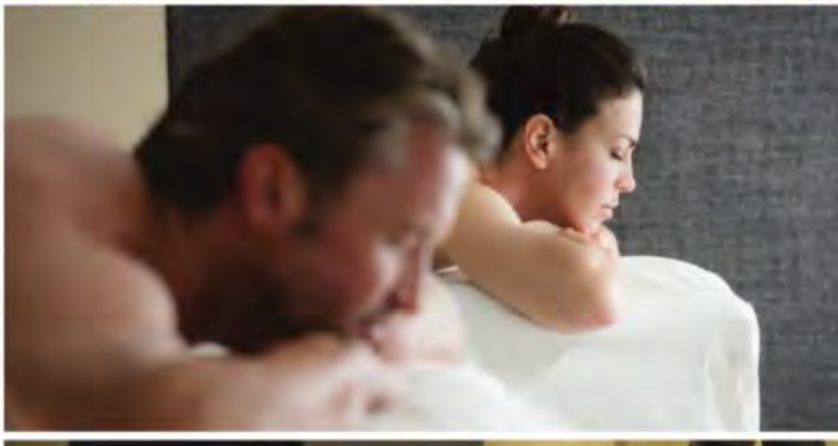

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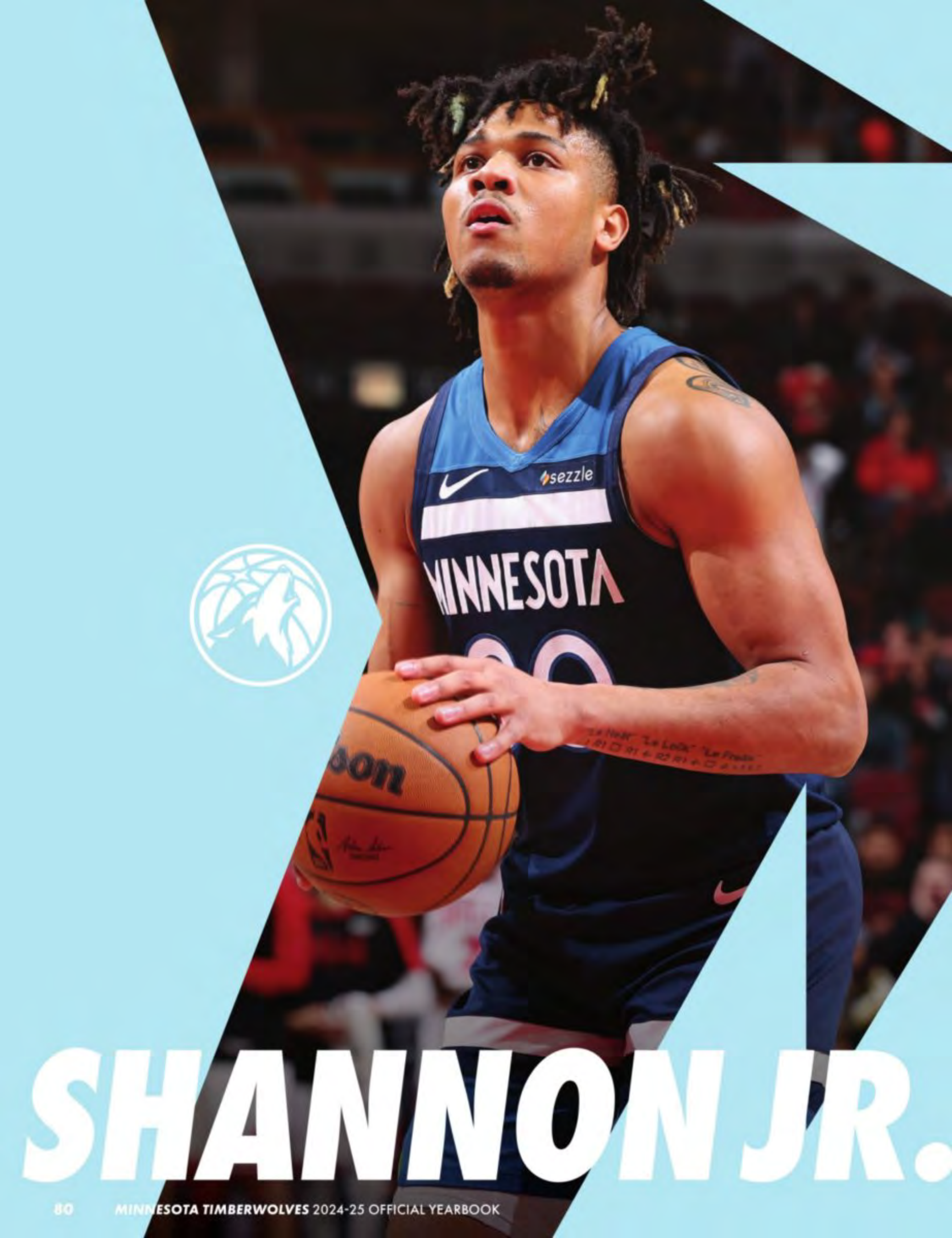

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BY **JON COOPER**

Anthony Edwards is his own man and a firm believer in individuality, as evidenced by his personal mantra: "Don't follow the wave."

Yet, ask anyone around the Minnesota Timberwolves and they'll tell you the dynamic fifth-year two-guard and first overall selection by the club in the 2020 NBA Draft is the consummate team player and the team is riding the tidal wave of momentum he's created.

Only 23, Edwards has already established himself as the face of the franchise and one of the future faces of the entire league.

"We continue to challenge Anthony because we think that he can be one of the greatest players ever. We don't say that lightly," said Timberwolves President of Basketball Operations Tim Connelly. "He's grown tremendously as a leader. He's starting to find his voice where he's more comfortable calling guys out in a positive manner. We're unbelievably encouraged by his continued development and really proud of him."

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But leading on the court alone is no longer good enough, because he's already proved he can do that.

He was an All-Rookie First Team selection in 2020-21 and since then has been a Western Conference All-Star in back-to-back seasons, and is the first player in Timberwolves history to average 25 points, 5 rebounds and 5 assists (his 25.9 ppg was the third-best season in franchise history). He's also the fourth-youngest in NBA history to record a 2,000+ points/400+ rebounds/400+ assists season. Only LeBron James (three times), Michael Jordan and Oscar Robertson did so at a younger age. To top all that off, he earned a spot on USA Basketball at the 2024 Summer Olympics.

The next mission was to become a leader in the locker room.

In typical fashion, he stepped up and spoke up to become that as well.

After a slow start to the season, Edwards knew someone had to do something and that someone was him. Following a 115-104 loss to Sacramento on Nov. 15, he called out his team.

"Right now, we're losing, so everybody expects us to be down on ourselves. But if you know me, you know I'm always up," he said. "I'm definitely [ticked] off that we're losing, but we're just trying to figure it out. I just want to get a win."

"I'm trying to get better in that aspect to figure out what to say to get everybody on the same agenda, because everybody right now is on a different agenda," he added.

The Wolves responded, winning their next four games — edging the Clippers (93-92), dismantling the Lakers at home and routing the Clippers and Golden State Warriors on the road by a combined 54 points.

No one in the locker room was surprised that Edwards' challenge would get the desired response from his teammates.

"He's a leader by the way he carries himself. Our team follows him," said 18-year veteran point Mike Conley. "We're going to do what we can to make this a culture that continues to win. He's at the forefront of it, and we're thankful to have a guy like that."

"Like 'Ant' said, everybody's got to look in the mirror," said guard Nickeil Alexander-

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Walker, following the narrow 93-92 win over the Clippers in which he sparked the team with a 12-point, 10 rebound double-double off the bench. "I did so and just did what I could do to help the team win and not leave without one."

While that leadership ability was always in Edwards, it took something special to draw it out of him. That something came over the summer, when Edwards was chosen by USA Basketball to represent the country in the Summer Olympics in Paris, joining luminaries LeBron James, Stephen Curry, Kevin Durant. Even in that star-studded lineup, Edwards still managed to stand out as he played a key role in bringing home gold. He also came back to Minnesota a noticeably changed man after spending a summer learning from the accomplished trio who have seven NBA MVPs and seven Finals MVPs between the three of them.

"Ant's already talked to us about, 'This is how Steph prepares,' or, 'These are some of the things LeBron does day-to-day,'" said Connelly. "He was around some of the best to ever do it, and he won. So he's got that taste, and he's coming back hungrier than ever.

"Sometimes we forget how young Anthony is," he added. "His development has

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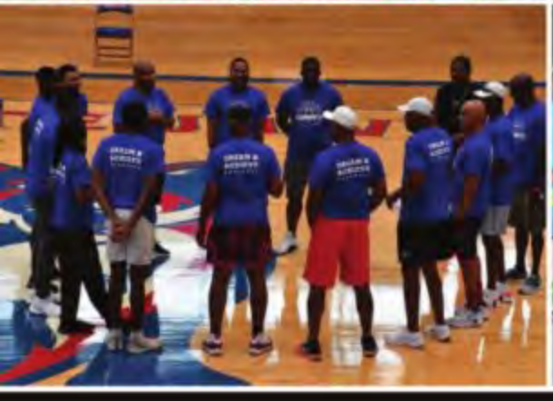

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been so dramatic and rapid but we forget it's really just beginning. He's still just a baby."

Edwards not only learned behind-the-scenes leadership but also picked up some new techniques – most importantly in improving his 3-point shooting.

Edwards, a career .361 three-point shooter, took advantage of being surrounded by a wealth of great shooters like Curry, Durant, Damian Lillard and Devin Booker. He soaked up as much as he could from them and, after some trial and error, found the right approach.

"I was talking with KD after a practice trying to figure out my footwork for my shot," he recalled. "That's why my shot was up and down during the Olympics — I was trying to learn how to catch and shoot at a higher clip. I watched Steph, I watched KD. I tried KD's way; it didn't work. I tried Steph's way; it didn't work. Then I watched Dame [Lillard], and I started doing Dame's shot and it's been working for me. Watching Dame helped me a lot learning to catch and shoot."

Ant's improved long-range game was welcome but not surprising to the Timberwolves.

"We've always known he was a really good 3-point shooter," said Head Coach Chris Finch. "He's just trusting it more. Sometimes he'd go through periods where he wouldn't trust it as much, the catch-and-shoot in particular. Being able to create the dribble-three is a huge weapon for any player. Then, he's got a nice chemistry with Julius (Randle) on dribble-handoffs and he's getting really good looks coming off that. So it's just the commitment to it. It's always been there. We always knew he could shoot it. He's just locked in and committed to it."

What might be surprising to some is how much he loves to pass the ball.

"People don't understand how much I love to pass it to my teammates and (see) them get a dunk or hit the shot," Edwards said. "If I hit a shot I'm super-happy, so if I know if they hit a shot they're super-happy. I'm super-happy for them. I've always been like that. That brings more joy to me than scoring, seeing my teammates getting their stuff off."

"It's about connection," said center Rudy Gobert. "When he sees me and he's willing to make (an alley-oop) pass – a pass he wasn't comfortable making a few years ago – it shows that he's been working and it shows that he cares about his teammates and about winning."

It's clear that things seem to be coming together for Edwards in every aspect of his professional life. The Timberwolves and their fans look forward to his continuing to grow and mature and achieve the heights of his esteemed USA Basketball teammates — which means holding up championship trophies.

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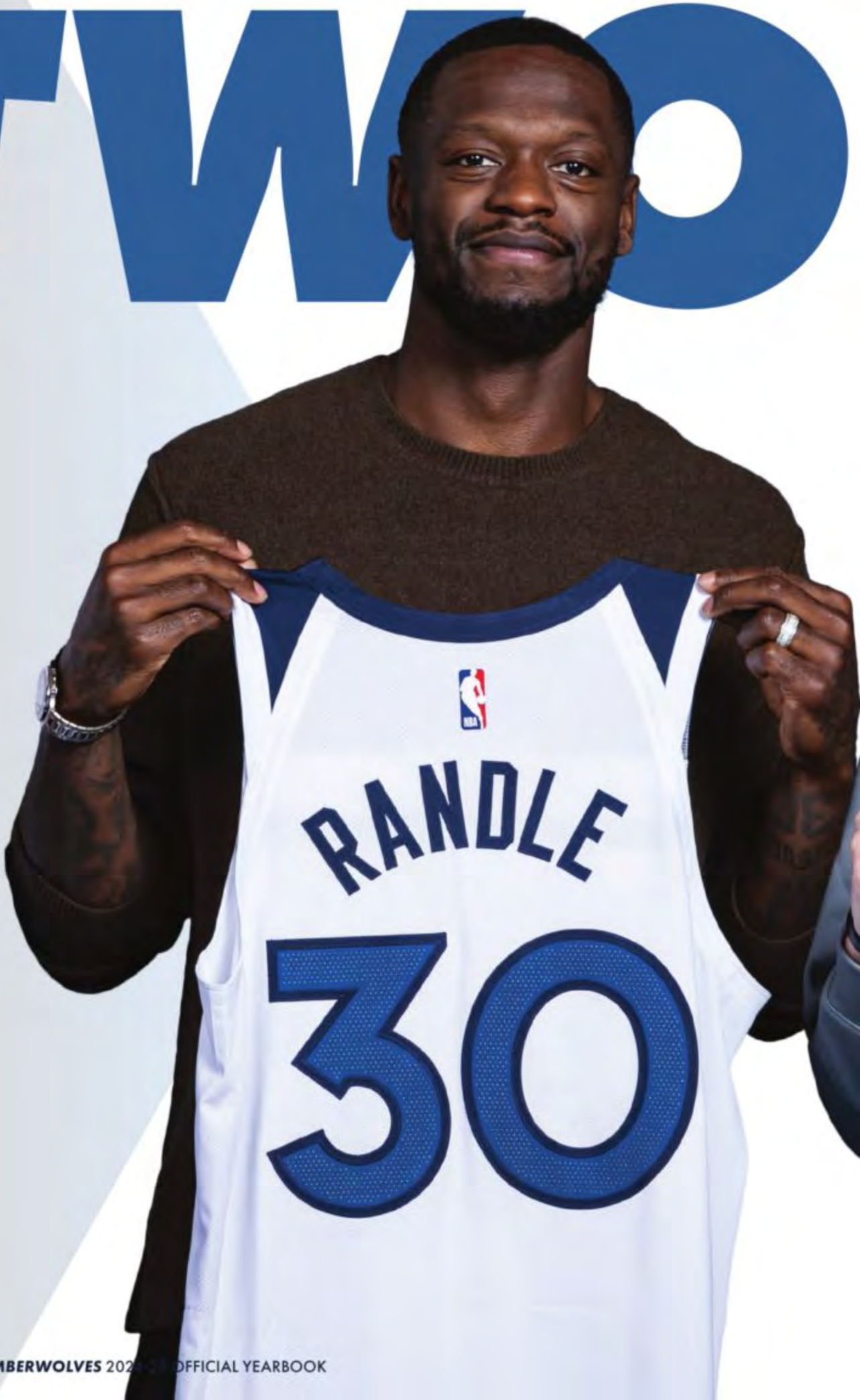

CAN PLAY THAT GAME

Julius Randle and Donte DiVincenzo are a proven and trusted duo that will bolster Minnesota's championship hopes.

BY **DARRYL HOWERTON**

When the Minnesota Timberwolves traded nine-year veteran and four-time All-Star Karl-Anthony Towns to the New York Knicks in exchange for three-time All-Star Julius Randle and Donte DiVincenzo in October, the franchise was excited about both the potential and experience of the players the Timberwolves acquired and how the two could fit in to the championship caliber lineup they aim to put on the floor.

After all, it is not every day an NBA championship contender is able to land an All-Star power forward who's averaged nearly 20 points per game throughout his career like Randle, and a 27-year-old champion guard like DiVincenzo, not to mention a 2025 first-round draft pick to boot.

For a 2024 West Finals team built primarily on defense, the Timberwolves were hoping Randle and DiVincenzo would be the dynamic duo that would open up Minnesota's offense.

"These guys bring special on-court skills, they have a toughness and they come from winning environments," says Timberwolves President of Basketball Operations Tim Connelly.

Last season's Timberwolves, which ranked first in defensive efficiency yet 15th in offensive efficiency, desperately needed to improve their three-point shooting output if they wanted to keep up with their high-octane NBA peers.

By acquiring Randle as Towns' starting power forward replacement and DiVincenzo as first guard off the bench, Minnesota was getting two marksmen who took a combined 14 trey attempts per game in New York (DiVincenzo 8.7 in 29.1 minutes per game; Randle 5.3 in 35.4).

The long-distance shooting and additional spacing to Minnesota's offense was bound to

"I love playing with Donte. He has taught me a lot and is someone I can learn from in our time together." — Julius Randle

pay dividends for the 2024-25 Timberwolves, especially with head coach Chris Finch given such vessels for him to create more scoring power.

"We saw Julius as a seamless fit to our offense," says Finch, who Randle credits for his basketball development when the Timberwolves head coach was a Pelicans assistant coach in New Orleans in 2018-19 (see sidebar).

"We loved his physicality, but it was his playmaking ability from all spots on the floor that we knew could really open up our offense. We could put Julius on the block, the elbow, the free throw line, in space, off isos, off pick-and-rolls. He could create in all scenarios.

"And then with Donte, we knew he had the movement without the ball from his Golden State days and also the spread and pick-and-roll games from his time in New York. But I didn't realize just how great his all-around game was.

"Their versatility has allowed us to improve as a team."

Randle and DiVincenzo played 787 minutes in 46 games together last season in New York, and quite simply brought out the best in their Knicks teammates whenever they were on the floor together.

In these scenarios with Randle and DiVincenzo on the court, New York had a .576 effective field goal percentage and .614 true shooting percentage, both of which ranked first among all 15 Knicks two-man combos who logged at least 700 minutes together.

Furthermore, they played at a fast pace for a Knicks offense – 101.0 possessions per 48 minutes – which ranked second among aforementioned Knicks two-man combos.

Minnesota now had a 6-9, 250-pound power forward and a 6-4, 203-pound guard who had the size to match up with most at their positions, while also maintaining the basketball IQ to be placed anywhere on the floor to great success for Coach Finch.

"Not only do they space the floor, but Julius has the strength and athleticism to wear big men down, while Donte can run for the whole 24 seconds, just waiting for the defense to mess up at some point," says Finch of the duo who have become Minnesota's second and third best playmakers, only behind point guard Mike Conley (Randle had a 20.3 assist ratio and DiVincenzo an 18.1 assist ratio through the team's first 15 games this season).

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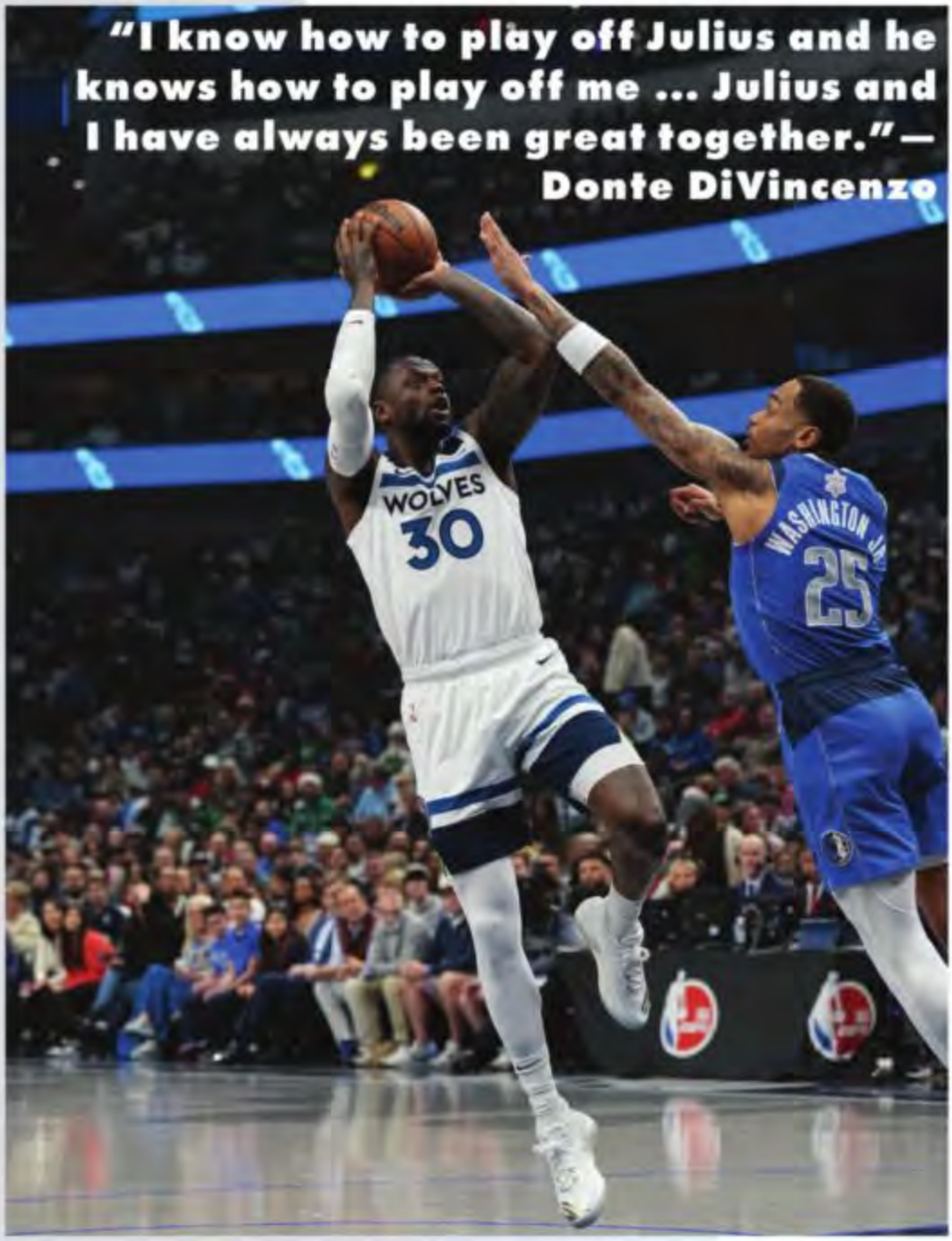
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WHEN RANDLE MET FINCHY

Many experts speculated, but the two men who knew the Julius Randle pairing with head coach Chris Finch in Minnesota would work were those two very men, Randle and Finch.

Six years ago, they worked together in New Orleans and, to this day, Randle credits their relationship as Pelicans for opening up his game and contributing to his All-Star breakout seasons to come in New York.

"I always say playing in New Orleans, even to this point, that was the easiest my game had ever felt, playing under Finchy," says the three-time All-Star who was drafted in 2014 by the Los Angeles Lakers, played in L.A. for four seasons, next played with the Pelicans in 2018-19 and then spent the following five seasons as a New York Knick before joining the Timberwolves this season.

Finch recalls, "What I first noticed when we started working together in New Orleans was his playmaking. Julius could make any given play at any given time, and he had a special ability to take it in the paint and draw triple teams. He just created so much offense for others."

Randle first became a 20-points-per-game scorer in New Orleans, averaging 21.4 points playing alongside All-Star center Anthony Davis (after a previous high of 16.1 points per game as a Laker).

It is also where he started to become a floor-spacing stretch 4, shooting 34 percent on his 2.7 three-point attempts per game (he was a career 26 percent three-point shooter on 0.6 attempts per game before that).

"When I left Finch in New Orleans, I wanted him in New York with me because he's such a great coach," says Randle, who blossomed into a legit 34-percent 3-point shooter on 5.7 attempts per game as a Knick. "I have always thought he was a genius. He is a great communicator and knows how to get the best out of his players.

"I remember playing for him there, and I always felt super prepared for the games–knowing what was going to happen and where I was going to get my shot from. I felt like he opened up my game, and I just became a really versatile player in New Orleans."

The fruits of their labor are showing now, with the harvest coming in the fall, winter and spring ahead.

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"Not only do they space the floor, but Julius has the strength and athleticism to wear big men down, while Donte can run for the whole 24 seconds, just waiting for the defense to mess up at some point."— Chris Finch

Both Randle and DiVincenzo had the green light to shoot the ball in New York, but it seems both thrive even more in a system that also showcases their playmaking skills as well.

"I have always been more of a passer than a scorer," says Randle, who averaged 24.0 points, 9.2 rebounds and 5.0 assists in 35.4 minutes per game as a Knicks All-Star last season.

"New York needed me to score last year, so I scored. But Finchy knows I enjoy playmaking from our New Orleans days together. So he puts me in many different positions to playmake, which I love. Finchy has given me the most freedom I've ever had to play in my career."

Through the first couple of months of the 2024-25 season, all indicators are pointing in the right direction, with Minnesota becoming a top 10 offense, improving on its pace and watching the New York dynamic duo continue to thrive as a terrific twosome, posting a +9.6 plus-minus net rating together in their first 14 games and 203 minutes as Timberwolves together (116.8 offensive efficiency and 107.2 defensive efficiency).

"When we get going into transition, that's when we are at our best," says DiVincenzo, who averaged both a career-high 15.5 points and 40.1 three-point percentage in New York last season.

"We have so many long, athletic guys here in Minnesota who are all capable of putting up 20-30 points on any given night. The IQ and the versatility of this team makes anything possible. I'm not put into a box of playing just the 1 or just the 2. You can play with so many different lineups–small, big, it doesn't matter. That's what is so exciting about this."

It has not taken long for Randle and DiVincenzo to blend in with their new teammates.

That said, the two newcomers who share locker space next to each other in the Timberwolves locker room are especially grateful they have each other to lean on in Minnesota.

"I know how to play off Julius and he knows how to play off me," says DiVincenzo, who was both a 2021 NBA Champion with the Milwaukee Bucks and a two-time NCAA champion with Villanova (2016 and 2018).

"It takes time to get acclimated with new teammates, but Julius and I have always been great together."

Randle concurs, saying, "I love playing with Donte. He has taught me a lot and is someone I can learn from in our time together."

Only time will tell if the deal pays off in the long run, but one thing is clear about the numbers. In the case of Randle and DiVincenzo, one plus one adds up to much more than two.

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MID OF IT ALL

At the center of the Timberwolves' championship aspirations stands Rudy Gobert.

By **Michael Bradley**

The Timberwolves had just defeated Chicago, 135-119, in early November, and of course Anthony Edwards led the way, scoring 33 points.

But he had plenty of help on the offensive end, and that's what people wanted to talk about afterward. One of the big contributors was Rudy Gobert, who had 21 points and three assists. The four-time NBA Defensive Player of the Year shot 9-of-11 from the field (a cool 81.8 percent) to give the Timberwolves a big boost.

"Everybody can find him [on the court]," head coach Chris Finch said. "Now, they're looking for him, and he's doing a good job making the right play when he gets the ball."

Gobert's outburst was noteworthy, but it certainly won't be his primary M.O. as the 2024-25 season rolls on. The 7-1 pivotman will always be known primarily for his play at the other end, and against the Bulls, his defense was a key factor, too.

"The Defensive Player of the Year looked great tonight," Edwards said after the win. "If he plays like that, he's going to get a fifth one."

If the Wolves are going to build on last year's Western Conference Finals appearance, Gobert must play a huge role. There is plenty of offensive production on the roster, but the later rounds of the postseason require teams to do more than score. Having someone like Gobert protecting the rim is vital for Minnesota to keep climbing up the NBA hierarchy.

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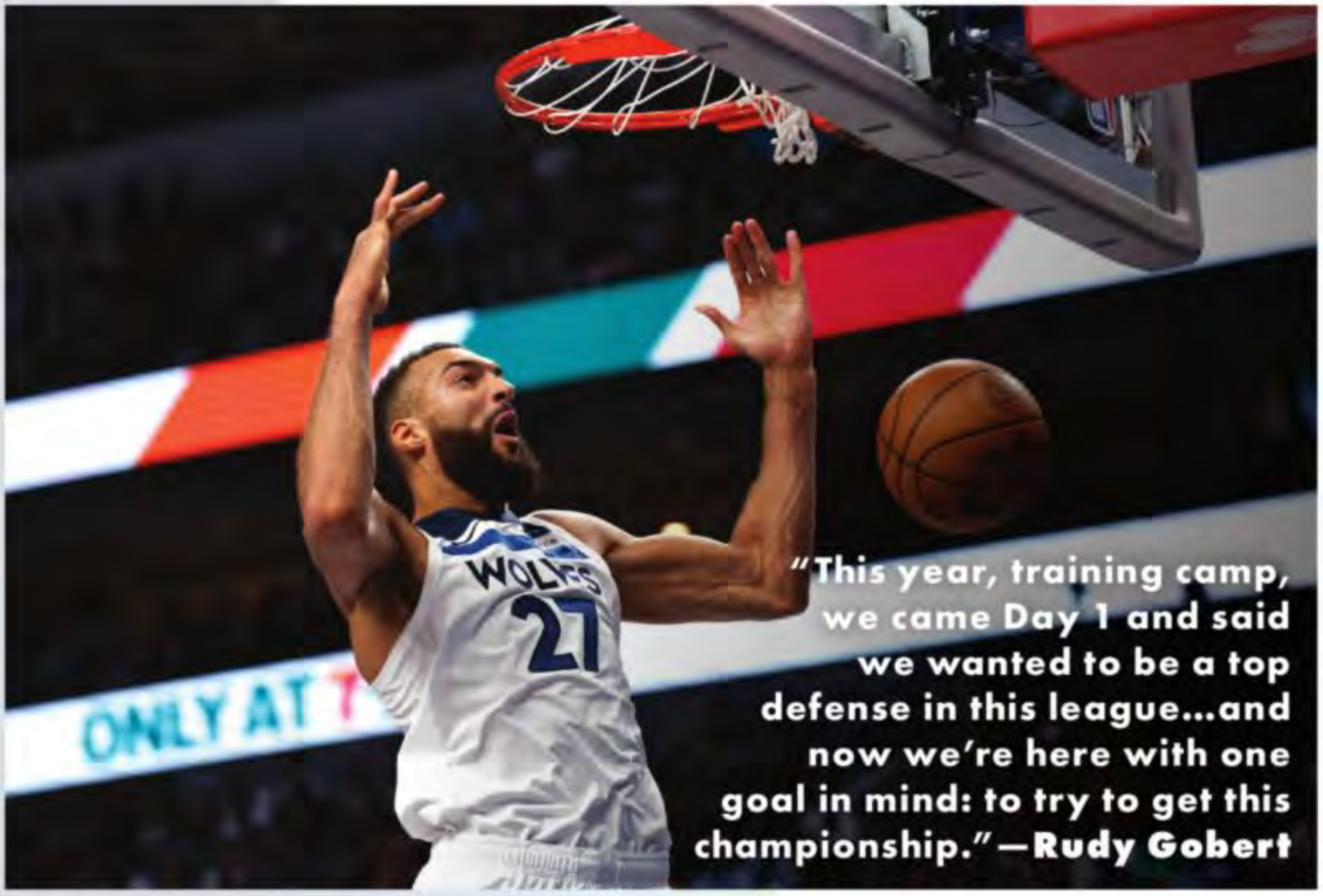

"This year, training camp, we came Day 1 and said we wanted to be a top defense in this league...and now we're here with one goal in mind: to try to get this championship." —Rudy Gobert

Gobert understands the value of defense and showed it when he grabbed his fourth Defensive Player of the Year honor last May. He won others in 2017-18, 2018-19 and 2020-21. Gobert has been named first-team All-Defensive seven times and is a three-time All-Star. Defense has been his primary contribution to every team he has been on, although he understands that one man alone can't stop NBA opponents, especially in May and June.

"This year, training camp, we came Day 1 and said we wanted to be a top defense in this league," Gobert told ESPN last May. "Every guy has bought in. Everyone has put in the work every single day, and now we're here with one goal in mind: to try to get this championship.

"... Great things take time. You guys all know winning is not something that happens overnight. You need to overcome adversity, you need to go through some ups and downs as a group."

Gobert wasn't lying. Two nights later, in Sacramento, he blocked three shots to go with his 11 points and 11 boards in a win over the Kings. His commitment to the team is evident, and is willingness to accept responsibility is what leaders do.

Gobert's desire to stay with the franchise says something about his confidence in the Timberwolves' potential and also his comfort regarding the arrival of Julius Randle, who came to the team in a blockbuster deal with the Knicks a few days before Gobert signed his extension. From the moment Randle arrived in Minneapolis, Gobert was eager to play with him.

"I believe in him," Gobert said during the team's preseason Media Day. "I know he wants to win, and he's a great competitor."

Randle's presence may have forced Finch and his staff to rethink some of the strategies at both ends, but it didn't change much for Gobert. At least he doesn't think so. For him, playing with Randle was going to be quite similar to how things were for him in his previous two seasons with the Timberwolves.

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he said early in the 2024-25 campaign. "I feel the same way with everyone in this locker room."

Gobert has been the same kind of player since he came into the League as the 27th overall pick in 2013 as a high ceiling pick – literally. During the Draft Combine that year, he had established new marks for standing reach – 9-feet, 7-inches – and wingspan (7-8 ½) making GMs smile at the prospect of him protecting their rims.

It was Utah who was most intrigued and traded with Denver for him on draft night, even though Gobert's numbers the previous season for Cholet Basket in France (8.4 ppg, 5.4 rpg) were not overwhelming. But people with his combination of size and reach weren't very common, so the "Stifle Tower" took up residence in Salt Lake City. Well, sort of. In 2013-14, his rookie year, Gobert bounced between the Jazz and its Bakersfield G League team, playing just 45 games with the big club and averaging 2.3 ppg and 3.4 rpg in 9.6 mpg.

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One did it with a pile of blocked shots and a finger wave, the other with a body chiseled from granite and a relentless will.

Dikembe Mutombo and Ben Wallace, the only other NBA players to win Defensive Player of the Year four times, were dominant forces who disrupted opposing attacks and helped make their teams formidable. Neither was a standout offensive player, but each impacted the game so profoundly that it didn't matter whether they scored any points at all.

Mutombo was part of the great Georgetown big man tradition cultivated by legendary coach John Thompson. He averaged a double-double for 11 straight seasons and led the NBA in blocked shots three times, averaging 4.5 swats per game in 1995-96. The eight-time All-Star was named the League's top defender in 1995, '97, '98 and '01.

His 2001 performance was particularly noteworthy because Mutombo led the NBA with 13.5 rpg and after being traded from Atlanta to the Sixers in February of that year, he helped Philadelphia to the NBA Finals. In the Eastern Conference finals win over Milwaukee, Mutombo averaged 16.6 ppg, 15.6 rpg and 2.7 bpg. He patrolled the lane with consistent fury and punctuated his blocked shots by waving his bony right index finger at his victims.

Wallace lacked a signature on-court move that Mutombo had, but he was no less effective on the defensive end. At 6-9, 240, and the occasional afro that added more body to his...well, body, he was capable of tangling with a variety of opponents from power forwards to pivots and even some three men. He was a master of positioning, physical intimidation and rebounding. From 2001-06, he was the NBA's most dominant defender, winning the Player of the Year award every season but one (he finished second in '03-04), leading the league in rebounding twice and blocked shots once.

Wallace was mean, immovable and relentless, just as every top defender has always been. It's just that he and Mutombo were better than the others– oh, and both are in the Hall of Fame.

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The next year, Gobert blossomed into a force, particularly at the defensive end. By the time his nine years in Utah were up, he was a three-time All-Star and captured three of his Defensive Player of the Year trophies. Some considered the price Minnesota paid to acquire Gobert too much, but the postseason results proved otherwise. Gobert was a key part of last year's run to the Western Conference Finals and the mainstay of the defense.

On December 2, the Timberwolves routed the Lakers, 109-80. Gobert had 17 points (7-of-8 FG) and 12 boards and helped limit L.A. to 40.5 percent field goal success. It was a perfect manifestation of his role on the team and was the team's second straight win after a late-November rough patch.

"We knew we needed to refocus on who we are, and who we are is a defensive team," Gobert said after the game. "When we start the game with that mindset – and I thought we did that [Nov. 29] against the Clippers, too – we're going to be in a position to win every night."

With Gobert in the middle of the defense, that mindset becomes a reality.

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NBA's Timberwolves choose logo design

JANUARY 23 1987

In preparation for a potential NBA expansion team, Minnesota holds a "Name the Team" contest to come up with a nickname. It came down to two and "Timberwolves" beat out the "Polars" in a city council vote. Minnesota is one of few states with free roaming packs of timber wolves.

JUNE 27 1989

With the franchise's first draft pick, the Timberwolves select UCLA standout Pooh Richardson with the 10th selection.

NOVEMBER 8 1989

The Timberwolves played the franchise's first ever home game at the Hubert H. Humphrey Metrodome against the Chicago Bulls. Michael Jordan scored 45 points for the Bulls as Chicago won 96-84.

APRIL 23 1987

Minneapolis, along with Orlando, Charlotte and Miami, is granted one of the NBA's four new expansion teams. It marked the NBA's return to the Twin Cities after the Minneapolis Lakers left for Los Angeles in 1960.

NOVEMBER 3 1989

The Minnesota Timberwolves make their NBA debut in Seattle. The Supersonics bested the Timberwolves by a final score of 106-94.

NOVEMBER 10 1989

The Timberwolves beat the Philadelphia 76ers in overtime by a final score of 125-118, resulting in both the Timberwolves first victory along with their first win at home.

APRIL 17
1990

In their final home game of the franchise's inaugural season in 1989-90, the Timberwolves totaled a crowd of 49,551 fans at the Metrodome, which remains the fourth-most attended game in NBA history.
In their first year of existence, the Timberwolves set the NBA's single-season attendance record as more than 1 million fans attended home games at the Metrodome that season.

FEBRUARY 13
1994

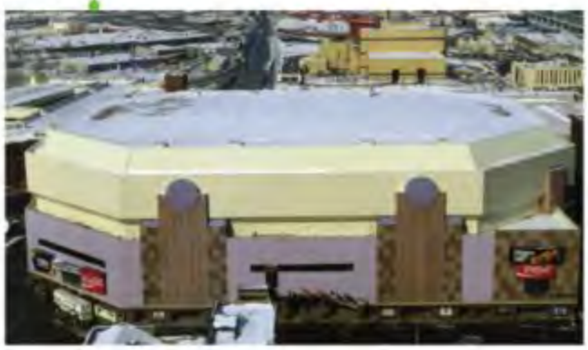
The Target Center and Timberwolves host their first NBA All-Star. Minnesota's Isaiah Rider wowed the home crowd with the "East Bay Funk" dunk, winning the NBA Slam Dunk crown that night.

JUNE 28
1995

In the 1995 NBA Draft, the Timberwolves selected high school standout Kevin Garnett with the fifth overall pick.

OCTOBER
1990

The newly built Target Center, located in downtown Minneapolis, officially open its doors to the Timberwolves for the start of the franchise's second season.



SEPTEMBER
1994

Former Minnesota senator Glen Taylor officially purchases the Timberwolves and Minnesota native and Hall of Famer Kevin McHale is hired as general manager of the Timberwolves.

DECEMBER 18
1995

Timberwolves name Flip Saunders as the team's head coach.

JUNE 26
1996

The Timberwolves traded Ray Allen, their fifth selection in the 1996 NBA Draft, in exchange for Stephon Marbury, the fourth selection by the Milwaukee Bucks.

APRIL 26
1998

After posting their first winning season of 45-37 and making the postseason for the second consecutive time, Minnesota defeated the Seattle SuperSonics in Game 2 of the first round of the 1998 NBA Playoffs by a score of 98-93, resulting in the franchise's first ever playoff victory.

NOVEMBER 4
2000

The Timberwolves officially raise Malik Sealy's #2 jersey to the rafters at Target Center. Sealy, was tragically killed in an automobile accident on May 20, 2000.

1996-97

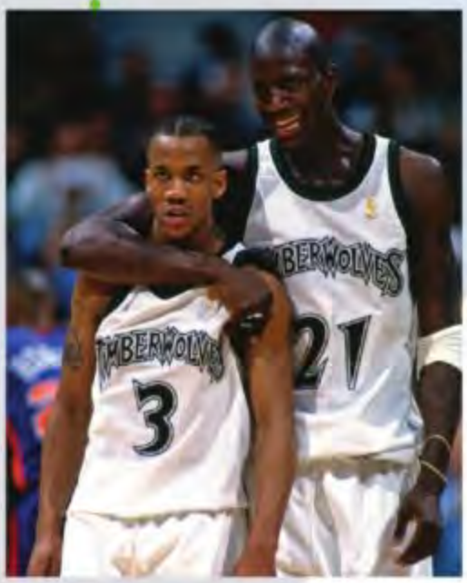
The Timberwolves, led by Garnett and Marbury, made the franchise's first ever trip to the NBA playoffs after a 40-42 season. Minnesota was swept by the Houston Rockets in the opening round, but the playoff appearance was seen as a valuable first step for the young Timberwolves team and franchise.

1999-00

Minnesota posted its first 50-win regular season in 1999-00, earning them its fourth consecutive trip to the playoffs.

FEBRUARY 9
2003

After a 37-point night along with nine rebounds and five steals, Kevin Garnett became the first and only Timberwolves player to win Most Valuable Player of the NBA's All-Star game.



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MAY 3
2004

After posting career highs in points, rebounds, assists and blocks, Kevin Garnett was awarded the 2003-04 NBA Most Valuable Player Award. Garnett was the first and is still the only Timberwolves player to win the award.
Garnett led the Timberwolves to its best-ever regular season with a 58-24 record and past the first round in the 2004 NBA Playoffs, going all the way to the Western Conference Finals before falling to the Los Angeles Lakers in six games. It still stands as the deepest playoff run in team history.

JULY 31
2007

After 12 years with the franchise that drafted him, the Timberwolves traded Kevin Garnett to the Boston Celtics. Minnesota in return was given a package of five players, including Al Jefferson and Gerald Green, two first-round draft picks and cash considerations. This marks the largest ever packaged combination of players and picks in exchange for a single player in League history.

NOVEMBER 12
2010

In a regular season loss to the Knicks, Kevin Love became the league's first player since 1982 to record a 30 point-30 rebound performance, as Love posted a historic 31 points along with 31 rebounds in the game.

MAY 21
2004

Timberwolves advance to their first and only ever trip to the Western Conference finals.

JUNE 26
2008

The Timberwolves trade for recently drafted standout Kevin Love, the fifth overall selection of the 2008 NBA Draft by the Memphis Grizzlies.

MARCH 11
2011

Kevin Love's streak of double-doubles ends after 53 consecutive games. It is the NBA's longest streak since 1973-74. Averaging 21.8 points and 16.3 rebounds per game that season, Love earned his first career All-Star selection.

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AUGUST 23
2014

The Timberwolves trade Kevin Love to the Cleveland Cavaliers in exchange for Andrew Wiggins, Anthony Bennett and Thaddeus Young. Wiggins was the No. 1 pick in the 2014 NBA Draft and Bennett was the top pick in 2013.

APRIL 30
2015

Andrew Wiggins was named the franchise's first NBA Rookie of the Year Award recipient.

FEBRUARY 13
2016

LaVine defends his Slam Dunk crown in a legendary duel against Orlando's Aaron Gordon. The two traded 50s in the final round, necessitating two extra dunks to determine the winner, before LaVine threw down a showstopping between-the-legs dunk that started a foot inside the free-throw line. The contest is still widely considered the greatest showdown between two dunkers.

FEBRUARY 15
2015

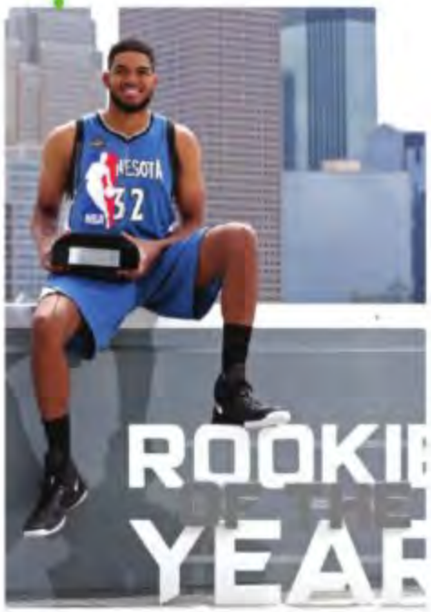
Zach LaVine becomes the second-youngest player at 19 to win the All-Star Slam Dunk Contest (Kobe Bryant won in 1998 as an 18-year-old). LaVine delivered a perfect first round with a pair of 50-point dunks en route to the title.

JUNE 25
2015

With the first overall selection in the 2015 NBA Draft, the Timberwolves selected Karl-Anthony Towns.

MAY 16
2016

Karl-Anthony Towns is awarded the NBA Rookie of the Year in a unanimous vote after averaging 18.3 points and 10.5 rebounds in his first season.



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FEBRUARY 15
2018

The Timberwolves retire "FLIP" in honor of longtime head coach and front office executive Flip Saunders who died from Hodgkin's lymphoma on October 25, 2015. Saunders is still the franchise's winningest head coach with 427 victories.

FEBRUARY 19
2022

Karl-Anthony Towns becomes first true center to win the Mountain Dew 3-point contest at NBA All-Star weekend. Towns is just the second Timberwolves player in history to win the 3-point contest and the tallest player to do so since Dirk Nowitzki in 2006.

JULY 6
2022

Timberwolves complete trade with Utah Jazz to acquire three-time defensive player of the year and three-time All-Star Rudy Gobert.

NOVEMBER 28
2020

The Timberwolves select Anthony Edwards with the first overall selection of the 2020 NBA Draft.

MARCH 14
2022

Towns notches the highest scoring game in Timberwolves history, putting up 60 points in a win against the San Antonio Spurs. This bested Town's previous franchise mark of 56 points.

FEBRUARY 10
2023

Anthony Edwards named an NBA All-Star for the first time in his career, becoming the eighth Timberwolves player in history to be named an All-Star.

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APRIL 14
2023

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MAY 22
2024

For the first time in his career, Anthony Edwards is selected to the Kia All-NBA Second Team.

FEBRUARY 18
2024

Anthony Edwards is selected to his second career NBA All-Star game.
For the first time in his career, Head Coach Chris Finch is named an All-Star Head Coach. It is just the second time a Timberwolves Head Coach is called upon to coach one of the league's NBA All-Star teams since Flip Saunders in 2004.

MAY 22
2024

For just the second time in franchise history and the first time since 2004, the Timberwolves advance to the Western Conference Finals.

OCTOBER 2
2024

The Timberwolves complete three-team trade and acquire three-time All-Star Julius Randle, former NBA Champion Donte DiVincenzo, Keita Bates-Diop and a future first-round pick from the New York Knicks in exchange for Karl-Anthony Towns.

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DEI Champion Suite Nights: Throughout the season we will host a variety of Diversity, Equity & Inclusion leaders from across the Twin Cities to connect and fellowship at Timberwolves games. These suite nights allow leaders alike to come together and share best practices on how to make our communities more inclusive for all.

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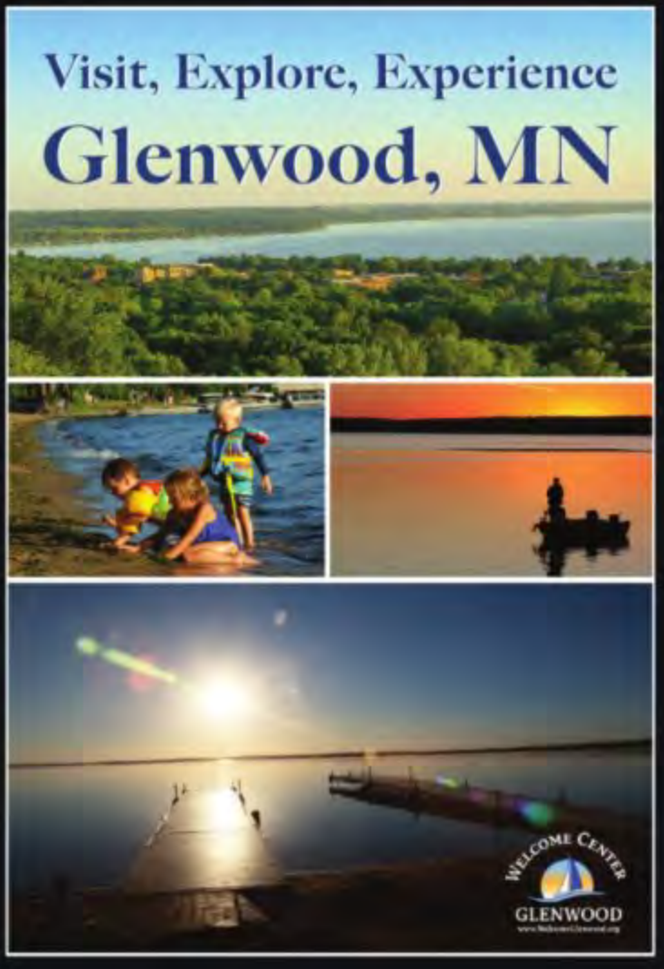

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Small acts of kindness can have a big impact in making people feel welcome. When we reach out and connect with others, we can build a stronger community where everyone – regardless of their background – feels like they belong.

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TIMBERWOLVES DANCERS

THE OFFICIAL DANCE TEAM OF THE MINNESOTA TIMBERWOLVES

We are creative, authentic, and brave. We are ambassadors to the state of Minnesota. We come from dance communities far and wide, dancing as one. We are strong-willed, relentless and powerful dancers. We are role models to our youth. We perform with the vibrant spirit of the North. *We are Timberwolves Dancers.*

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MASCOT

CRUNCH

CRUNCH NOTES

HEIGHT: **6' (GROUND TO THE TIP OF EARS)**
WEIGHT: **SEASONAL**
VERTICAL JUMP: **15' (WITH TRAMPOLINE)**

FAVORITES

MOVIE: **"HOMEWARD BOUND: THE INCREDIBLE JOURNEY"**
BOOK: **"THE TRUE STORY OF THE 3 LITTLE PIGS!"**
TYPE OF MUSIC: **TECHNO HOWL**
DUNK: **THE INSIDE-OUT FLYING DUTCHMAN WITH A TWIST**
PRE-GAME MEAL: **BACON-WRAPPED BACON**

CRUNCH, the Minnesota Timberwolves MEGA-WOLF, is the pulse of entertainment during games at Target Center. His witty sense of humor and amusing antics energize the crowd and keeps fans on their toes at every game. From his over-the top stunts to his high-flying dunks, there is no doubt that CRUNCH is the Leader of the Pack.

Connect with CRUNCH via social media:
@WolvesCrunch on Twitter, Instagram & TikTok
Facebook.com/TimberwolvesCrunch

CRUNCH makes appearances throughout Minnesota's communities and is available upon request. For pricing and availability, please email crunch@timberwolves.com or call 612.673.8370

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IN-GAME ENTERTAINMENT

ACTION PACK

The Action Pack are the alpha dogs of our arena, leading the charge on all of our promotional activities, including t-shirt tosses, parachute drops, dance cameras, prize giveaways and much more. This high octane crew interacts with our fans every game as they enter and leave our arena, helping create a fun and exciting atmosphere at Target Center for all of our fans.

GAME NIGHT SOUNDS

Jon- A St. Paul, MN native and life-long Minnesota Timberwolves fan, Jon is a graduate of the University of Minnesota. Jon became a season ticket member in the 2009-2010 season and joined the Timberwolves organization in the 2014-15 season. His ultimate goal is to host at the NBA Finals at Target Center.

When he is not hosting on game nights Jon enjoys binge watching his favorite TV shows and movies, eating blue corn tortilla chips, playing with his kids and traveling whenever possible, but always loves coming back home to the Twin Cities.

DJ Mad Mardigan- DJ Mad Mardigan is a legend in the music scene. Known for his jaw-dropping turntable skills, Mardigan's roots originate from competing in local & regional DJ battles. It was there where he learned how to mix and scratch music from any genre into one cohesive open-format turntablist performance.

Since those early days, he has taken the industry by storm. DJ Mad Mardigan has been rocking The Target Center as the Official DJ of the Minnesota Timberwolves & Lynx since 2007. His resume speaks for itself: Mardigan is a 3x NBA All-Star DJ, 4x WNBA World Championship DJ, performed for 112,000 people at The Red Bull Crashed Ice World Championships 2x , DJ'd at The Ryder Cup Finals, MLB All-Star Game, DJ for Life Time Fitness, and has DJ'd at numerous home games for every pro sports team in town, Super Bowl 52, and the 2019 NCAA Final Four.

DJMM has shared the stage with and/or opened for the likes of Dave Chappelle, The Weeknd, Montell Jordan, Prof, Tag Team, Iggy Azalea, DJ Q-Bert, Mix Master Mike (Beastie Boys), Nipsey Hussle, Rob Base, Brother Ali, Walk The Moon, Aloe Blacc, Fitz & The Tantrums, Idina Menzel, and more.

When he's not dropping beats at the Target Center, he splits his time between performing at a variety of different events, and operating his DJ Company - GenerationNOW Entertainment (The Official DJ Company of The Timberwolves & Lynx). Throughout the year you can find him spinning at the hottest nightclubs including The Exchange & The Pourhouse, performing at Broadway VIP Cast Parties as the Official DJ of Hennepin Theatre Trust, spinning live on WCCO-TV, DJing at a high-end private weddings & fundraising galas, and teaching DJ classes at his son's elementary school.

Mad Mardigan is a true staple in the world of professional DJing. For over 2 decades, he has entertained millions of people with his brand of turntablism and open-format party-rocking. He is an integral part of the entertainment and energy inside the Target Center for The Timberwolves and Lynx.

DJ Thrillz- Tim Miller has been the Wolves Music Director since the 2003-2004 season. His responsibilities include playing in game audio during home games to entertain the fans with his music selection, instrumental beats and playful sound bites. He works hand in hand with organist Jeff Victor and DJ Mad Mardigan to bring you the best musical experience inside Target Center. Tim has had the privilege to represent the Timberwolves organization at the NBA Global games in Rio De Janeiro, Berlin, Istanbul and Mexico City. He has also taken on the role as the Music Director for NBA All Star games during the Saturday night festivities (skills, 3-point challenge and dunk contest) from 2016-2018.

In the off season Tim is the Music Director for the Minnesota Twins and is the V.P. of Marketing & Events for GenerationNOW Entertainment – Official DJ company for the Wolves and Lynx.

Jeff Victor- Jeff Victor is an accomplished musician and composer as the NBA house organist for the Timberwolves. He's recorded and toured internationally with such diverse artists as Soul Asylum, Peter Himmelman, Andrew WK, John Gorka, The Honeydogs, and Nick Jonas, and has performed nationally on Saturday Night Live, The Tonight Show, and the Late Show with David Letterman. As a composer and producer, he sold 1.5 million units for Target's Lifescapes music series. His work in commercial advertising earned him both an Emmy and Clio award, and has been featured in national campaigns for Anheuser Busch, BMW, Lexus, The Gap, Old Navy, Holiday Inn and many others. He is also a guest organist for the Minnesota Twins.

Jeff resides in Minneapolis with his wife and two girls, and their dog Minnie.

Jedidiah- Jedidiah Jones is the Public Address Announcer since the start of the 2022-2023 season. Jones, a native of Minneapolis, played basketball for and graduated from Minneapolis North. Jones joined the Timberwolves after spending time at KMOJ and Jazz 88.

PACKCUSSION

PACKcussion is unleashing the beats at Wolves games, one drum at a time. Our drum line amps up the home court advantage with rhythmic, dynamic performances all around the arena.

THE PUPS

With their funky dance moves and attitude, The Pups are a crowd favorite at Wolves games. This co-ed junior hip-hop squad made up of kids ages 7-13 is our youngest performance troupe entertaining the fans at select games throughout the season.

SENIOR DANCERS

Nowhere else can you catch the grandmas and grandpas of Minneapolis cut a rug! The Timberwolves Senior Dancers bring groove, funk, swag and style to the court with every performance.

SLAM SQUAD

Look! Up in the Sky! It's the Timberwolves Slam Squad! The highest fliers in the NBA! Led by Crunch, the Slam Squad performs at Target Center year-round, but their acrobatics aren't limited to our court. The Squad travels all over the state, and has even represented the Wolves internationally at the NBA's Global Games.

1ST AVENUE BREAKERS

The 1st Avenue Breakers deliver the hottest underground break dancing styles to Target Center with every routine. Our ultimate high-octane ensemble, the Breakers defy gravity on the court with every last head spin they perform.

612 CREW

The 612 Crew brings all high-energy dance styles of popping, locking, gliding, krumping and waving into one pulse-pounding performance.

2024-25 TIMBERWOLVES REGULAR SEASON BROADCAST SCHEDULE

OCTOBER

SUN	MON	TUE	WED	THU	FRI	SAT
		9:00 LAL		9:00 SAC		7:00 TOR
		6:30 DAL				

NOVEMBER

SUN	MON	TUE	WED	THU	FRI	SAT
					8:30 DEN	7:00 SAS
	8:00 CHA			7:00 CHI	8:00 POR	
6:00 MIA		9:00 POR	9:00 POR		9:00 SAC	
2:30 PHX				6:30 TOR		
2:30 BOS		7:00 HOU	7:00 SAC		6:30 LAC	

DECEMBER

SUN	MON	TUE	WED	THU	FRI	SAT
	7:00 LAL		9:30 LAC		9:00 GSW	
7:30 GSW						
				7:00 NYK		7:00 GSW
	6:30 ATL		1:30 DAL		7:00 HOU	
7:00 SAS		7:00 OKC				

JANUARY

SUN	MON	TUE	WED	THU	FRI	SAT
				6:30 BOS		6:00 DET
	7:00 LAC	7:00 NOP		6:00 ORL		7:00 MEM
	6:00 WAS		7:00 GSW		6:30 NYK	8:00 CLE
	1:30 MEM		6:30 DAL			2:00 DEN
	7:00 ATL		8:00 PHX	9:00 UTA		

FEBRUARY

SUN	MON	TUE	WED	THU	FRI	SAT
						7:00 WAS
	7:00 SAC		7:00 CHI	7:00 HOU		7:00 POR
	6:00 CLE		7:00 MIL	7:30 OKC		
					7:00 HOU	
8:30 OKC	7:00 OKC			9:30 LAL	8:30 UTA	

MARCH

SUN	MON	TUE	WED	THU	FRI	SAT
8:30 PHX		7:00 PHI	6:00 CHA		7:00 MIA	
7:00 SAS			9:00 DEN		7:00 ORL	
6:00 UTA	7:00 IND		6:30 NOP		7:00 NOP	
	6:00 IND				7:00 PHX	
6:00 DET						

APRIL

SUN	MON	TUE	WED	THU	FRI	SAT
		9:00 DEN		6:30 BKN		6:00 PHI
		7:00 MIL		8:30 MEM	8:00 BKN	
2:30 UTA						

HOME

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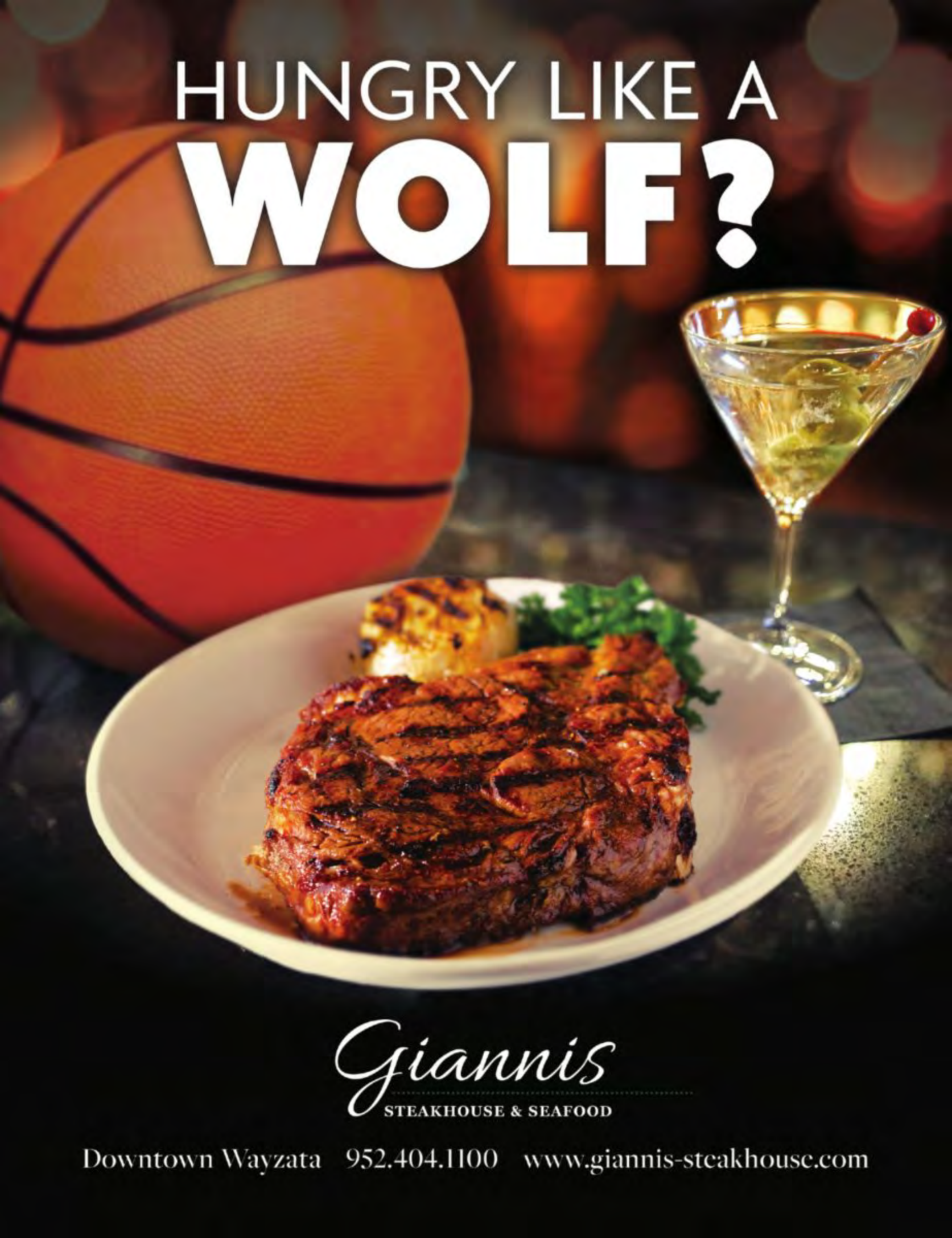
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